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into communist North Korea, China and Russia. The
Korean Bible Society produced popular new translation
of the Scriptures, ~~into the Korean language~~ to keep up
with changes in the (1952)

1 for the victims of war through their
2 hospitals, relief organizations and
3 the orphanages^{services} of such Christian agen-
4 cies as World Vision, Holt's Child-
5 ren's Services, Compassion and the
6 Christian Children's Fund. It is
7 little wonder ^{thus in many ways} ~~that~~ through wars and
8 depressions and persecutions, the mi-
9 racle of growth^{has} continued, ~~and~~ the
10 Christian community in Korea steadily
11 doubled^{s just about} every ten years.

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